The YPG KLRCA – YSIAC Advocacy Workshop is a two-part event on written and oral advocacy.

Due to the indisputable importance of written advocacy in arbitration, the first part of the workshop is intended to offer an overview of three important topics: (i) building effective legal arguments, (ii) drafting Procedural Order No. 1; and (iii) essential elements sought by arbitrators in submissions. Expert local and international practitioners will share their experience on the above topics and will answer participants’ questions. The sessions are aimed at providing different perspectives on these important aspects, ideas that involve significant drafting work.

The second part of the workshop will provide practitioners with an unparalleled opportunity to test their advocacy skills in a real world arbitration scenario before a panel of leading arbitration practitioners from multiple jurisdictions. This part is based on a mock arbitration case wherein the claimant has submitted a Notice of Arbitration under the Arbitration Rules of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (6th Edition, 1 August 2016) (SIAC Rules 2016). The Notice of Arbitration included an application for emergency interim relief pursuant to Rule 30.2 and Schedule 1, of the SIAC Rules 2016. In response, the respondents have raised jurisdictional objections, and the workshop will feature a mock hearing on the emergency interim relief. In addition to lively rounds of oral argument, participants and attendees will be able to engage in an open dialogue on the “art” of oral advocacy.

PROGRAMME

5.30pm – 6.00pm Registration with Light Refreshments
6.00pm – 6.05pm Welcome Address by Datuk Professor Sunda Rajao, Director, KLRCA
6.05pm – 6.10pm Introduction to the YPG KLRCA Workshop “The Power of Written Advocacy” by YPG KLRCA Committee:
• Mr Alonso Mayordomo Castillo, Senior International Case Counsel, KLRCA
• Ms Tatiana Polevshchikova, International Case Counsel, KLRCA
6.10pm – 7.10pm “The Pyramid to Win: How to Build Legal Arguments” by Mr Ravishree Sinnetamby, Director, Plus 3 Consultants: “Drafting an Arbitration Map: Procedural Order No. 1” by Mr Lee Shih, Partner, Skrine “Persuasive Submissions: What an Arbitrator Wants to Read” by Mr Rajendra Navaratnam, Partner, Azman Davidson & Co
7.10pm – 7.20pm Coffee Break
7.20pm – 7.25pm Introduction to Case Scenario and Concept of YSIAC Workshop by Ms Koh Swee Yen, Partner, WongPartnership LLP; Co-Chair, YSIAC Committee; Member, SIAC Users Council Singapore
7.25pm – 7.45pm Preliminary Objections Emergency Arbitrator(s):
• Mr Chan Leng Sun, SC, Principal, Baker & McKenzie; Wong & Leow; Member, SIAC Users Council Singapore
• Mr Chong Boon Leong, Partner, Allen & Goslidhill LLP; Partner, Rahmat Lim & Partners; Member, SIAC Users Council Singapore
• Mr Lim Tuck Sun, Partner, Chooi & Company
• Ms Sithap Saravanathan, Consultant, Tommy Thomas Jurisdictional Objection (20 minutes) Counsel for the Respondent:
• Mr Nicholas Hoh, Senior Associate, Rahmat Lim & Partners Counsel for the Claimant:
• Ms Sharon Chong Tze Ying, Partner, Skrine
7.45pm – 8.05pm Application for Emergency Interim Relief From Emergency Arbitrator(s) Oral Submissions (20 minutes) Counsel for the Claimant:
• Mr Rishwick Singh, Partner, Cecil Abraham & Partners Counsel for the Respondent:
• Mr Sudharkaran Thilainathan, Senior Partner, Sook Lin & Bok
8.05pm – 8.25pm Tribunal Feedback
8.25pm – 8.55pm Joint YPG KLRCA – YSIAC Panel Discussion / Q&A Session Moderated by:
• Ms Koh Swee Yen Panelists:
• Mr Chan Leng Sun, SC
• Mr Chong Boon Leong
• Mr Lim Tuck Sun
• Mr Rajendra Navaratnam
• Ms Sithap Saravanathan
8.35pm – 9.00pm Closing Remarks by Ms Lim Seok Hui, CEO, SIAC and Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC)

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